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FORMING APPARATUS
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RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 20, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this document, and include an attached replacement drawing sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: